City Attorney

Appropriations Summary

	14-15	15-16	15-16 Year End	16-17	,	17-18
	Actual	Amended	Projection	Recommende	d	Recommended
Employee Services	\$ 445,136	\$ 652,276	\$ 358,124	\$ 505,476	\$	526,775
Supplies & Services	24,554	137,307	323,001	94,215	;	96,099
Capital Outlay	-	-	-			-
Debt Services	-	-	-			-
Internal Service	26,725	29,157	29,158	51,107	,	51,236
Transfers Out	5,488	5,488	5,488	3,140)	3,619
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 501,902	\$ 824,228	\$ 715,771	\$ 653,939	\$	677,729



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City Attorney [010-1500]

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

The City Attorney represents the City Council, its boards and commissions and all City officers and employees in matters of law pertaining to their City functions. The City Attorney reviews and/or prepares all ordinances, resolutions, contracts, bonds, real estate documents and other legal documents for the City and litigates or manages the defense of the City in all litigation and prosecutes violations of the Morgan Hill Municipal Code. Though the City Attorney reports directly to the City Council, he/she works as part of the City's leadership team and provides legal support to City employees in all aspects of City operations, including planning, police, fire, code enforcement, engineering, public works, water utility, housing, parks and recreation. In addition to being formal counsel at City Council meetings, the City Attorney also advises City commissions comprised of citizens and serves as legal counsel to the Successor Agency of the former Morgan Hill Redevelopment Agency and as Counsel to the Oversight Board of the Successor Agency of the City of Morgan Hill. The City Attorney is supported by a Deputy City Attorney and a Paralegal.

The City's risk management function also is supervised and administered by the City Attorney's office. As the City's Risk Manager, the City Attorney reviews and assesses all claims for damages and, when appropriate, recommends settlement to resolve claims at an early stage to avoid costly litigation, oversees the general liability insurance fund budget, reviews all contract insurance and supervises ABAG risk management grants. The risk management function is supported by a part-time risk management analyst and the paralegal.

FY 15-16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Fiscal year 15-16 was a transition year for the City Attorney's office that saw the departure of the previous City Attorney, staffing by an interim contract attorney and the anticipated hiring of a new City Attorney
- Performance of an overall review of risk management goals
- The City Attorney participated in quarterly discussions on regional municipal law issues with city attorneys within Santa Clara County and participated in regional negotiations on county-wide contracts
- Legal review, support and assistance for all major projects of the City were provided
- <u>Litigation</u>:

<u>Cases Resolved</u>: The following cases were successfully concluded in FY 15-16:

- o Alvarado v. City of Morgan Hill: alleged police misconduct
- o <u>City of Morgan Hill v. Albanese</u>: defective work from Third Street pavers project
- o <u>City of Morgan Hill v. Aviles</u>: code enforcement action
- o Cserna v. City of Morgan Hill: civil rights violation
- o Wendt & Wise v. City of Morgan Hill: trip & fall on sidewalk
- New Litigation:
 - Morgan Hill Hotel Coalition v. City of Morgan Hill: writ compelling City to place Referendum on Ordinance 2131
 on the ballot
 - o Paulk v. City of Morgan Hill: civil rights violation
- Successor Agency/Wind Down for RDA:
 - Continue to provide advice to Successor Agency employees and the redevelopment bond team (financial advisor, bond counsel, disclosure counsel and independent redevelopment consultant) working to refund the \$110,000,000 bond issue from 2008 and timely expend bond proceeds
 - Assisted with the preparation of the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules

- o Ongoing analysis of the budgetary and legal impacts of AB1X26 and AB 1484
- <u>Downtown Revitalization and Implementation of Long Range Property Management Plan:</u>
 - Assist teammates with construction of Downtown public parking garage
 - Assist in drafting documentation for enhanced public improvements in the downtown area including pop up parks
 - Assist in drafting documentation for City negotiated acquisition of property
 - o Assist in drafting documentation to encourage downtown redevelopment
 - $\circ \quad \text{Review, negotiate and approve numerous subordination agreements for housing and local business} \\$
 - o Review, negotiate and approve numerous estoppel agreements for various local developers
- RDCS, BMR Reduced Mitigation Fee Program and Development Fees:
 - o Provided advice on RDCS allocation extensions, the implementation of the BMR fee reduction program and responded to fee inquiries
 - Negotiated and prepared amendments and assignments of development agreements and BMR transactions
 - Review and approve multiple housing documentation to enhance below market rate housing within the City for individual units or multiple unit projects and for sale and rental projects
- <u>Capital Improvement Projects:</u>
 - Downtown Improvement Project
- Public Health and Safety:
 - Coordinated with police department on enforcement of animal control ordinances and prosecution of social host, nuisances and other code violations
 - o Prepared Medical Marijuana Cultivation and Delivery Ban Ordinance
 - o Advise teammates on administrative citation program
 - Advise teammates on vehicle abatement hearing and process
- Employment and Personnel:
 - With the support of outside counsel, assisted human resources employees with several complex cases of employee discipline and claims for workers' compensation and disability
 - Opposed Pitchess motions for disclosure of confidential police personnel records
 - Revise Harassment and Discrimination Policy
 - Revise Sick Leave Policy
- Risk Management:

Risk Management Analyst:

- Serve as City's ABAG Plan Liaison
- Serves on the ABAG's Risk Management Committee
- Works with Leadership Team to identify and establish City's Annual Risk Management Goals
- Oversees distribution of ABAG grant funds
- Establishes insurance requirements for all City contracts (including public bids, RFPs, special events, leases, vendor contracts, construction projects, maintenance agreements, etc.)
- Assesses insurance compliance for all City contracts; tracks and oversees records management through contract termination dates

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- o Advises on insurance matters relating to various City policies and procedures
- Administer ABAG risk management grants and assess training and best practices needs to prevent injury and damage claims
- o Serves on City's Safety Committee

Paralegal:

o Intake of damage claims and work with ABAG claims adjuster to negotiate and resolve damage claims against the City

• <u>City-wide:</u>

- Assist teammates in revising the City's Purchasing Code and the development of guidelines for a new Purchasing Policy
- o Revise Temporary Banner Guideline Policy
- o Revise Email Policy
- o Advise regarding the Destruction of City Records pursuant to Records Retention Schedule
- o Review Public Records Act Requests.

ACTIVITY GOALS

FY 16-17

- Provide legal counsel to the Successor Agency and the Oversight Board in the continued winding down of the Redevelopment Agency, disposition of assets and the satisfaction of enforceable obligations and implementation of the long range property management plan
- Review municipal code and update certain provisions to reflect current conditions and practices and to comply with current law
- Advise on General Plan Update
- Assist on the editing and revisions to the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Anticipated Amendment to the General Plan
- Work on revisions to the Residential Development Control System to develop a future initiative to maintain growth control
- Assist in the negotiation for possible acquisition of property for new sports or cultural uses
- Advise in the review, public hearing process and alternatives to the Southeast Quadrant annexation and Agricultural Mitigation Program
- Revise Municipal Code violations
- Update Bail Schedule and Process with Santa Clara County Court

FY 17-18

- Provide legal review, support and assistance for all major projects of the City
- Review and/or prepare all ordinances, resolutions, contracts, bonds, real estate documents and other legal documents for the City
- Litigate or manage the defense of the City in all litigation and prosecute violations of the Morgan Hill Municipal Code

- Review and assess all claims for damages and, if appropriate, recommend settlement to resolve claims at an early stage to avoid costly litigation
- Review all contract insurance and supervise ABAG risk management grants

CITY COUNCIL GOALS

The City Attorney's Office will continue to engage in activities that are aligned with the priorities, goals, and strategies the City Council has set for 2016:

Enhancing Public Safety

- Enforcement of animal control ordinances and prosecution of social host, nuisances and other code violations
- Continue to advise teammates on administrative citation program

Protecting the Environment

Review and revise the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Anticipated Amendment to the General Plan

Maintaining Fiscal Responsibility

- Assist in proper administration of bond proceeds
- Advise on disposition of former agency assets
- Serve as legal liaison to Oversight Board, Department of Finance and State Controller

Planning Our Community

- Advise on General Plan Update and zoning code update
- Collaborate with teammates to revise the Residential Development Control System to develop a future initiative to maintain growth control

Developing Our Community

- Assist in the negotiation for possible acquisition of property for future sport or cultural facilities
- Advise in the review, public hearing process and alternatives to the Southeast Quadrant annexation and Agricultural Mitigation Program

Improving Our Communication

 Evaluate opportunities for the City to work collaboratively on risk management issues with private property owners

Participating in Regional Initiatives

- Serves on ABAG Plan Corporation Executive Committee and Risk Management Committee
- Continue participation in quarterly discussions on regional municipal law issues with city attorneys within Santa Clara County

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FINANCIAL COMMENTS

The proposed budgets (general fund and all funds) include legal costs for the day-to-day operation of all City operations and for anticipated special counsel costs incurred in ongoing and anticipated litigation. Should unanticipated litigation or extraordinary events requiring specialized legal services arise; the City Attorney will present to the City Council estimated extraordinary legal costs that may require an amendment to the approved budget.

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	652,276	358,124	505,476	526,775
1,616	2,652	1,200	1,500	1,530
4,920	85,038	277,038	72,787	74,243
6,361	32,896	32,623	6,642	6,775
46	637	150	150	153
465	637	636	636	649
892	330	301	-	-
(8)	605	700	300	306
-	266	250	-	-
318	637	288	400	408
88	530	110	200	204
-	84	85	-	-
48	318	50	50	51
25	318	-	200	204
981	2,652	1,100	2,200	2,244
3,060	3,713	3,400	3,200	3,264
1,299	1,591	510	1,350	1,377
4,443	4,244	4,400	4,600	4,692
-	160	160	-	-
24,554	137,307	323,001	94,215	96,099
4,605	5,517	5,517	7,447	8,192
10,200	9,912	9,912	17,616	16,949
1,597	1,645	1,645	1,694	1,745
10,323	12,084	12,084	24,350	24,350
26,725	29,157	29,158	51,107	51,236
5,488	5,488	5,488	3,140	3,619
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